

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Rory A.J. Curtis and M.
Alexandra Glucksmann

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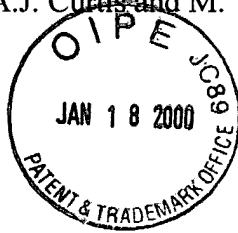
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For: *ISOLATED PROTEINS AND NUCLEIC ACID
MOLECULES HAVING HOMOLOGY TO THE NIP2
PROTEIN AND USES THEREOF*

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action dated December 8, 1999 (Paper No. 6). Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 3, 6, 7, and 13-26, without prejudice, and amend claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11, and 12 as follows:

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